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All section references are to the Elections Code unless stated otherwise. GC references the California Government Code, Ed. Cd. references the California Education Code.

November 25 thru December 16 (E-64-43) SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEE PETITIONS Dates between which candidates may obtain from the Registrar of Voters petition forms for signatures in lieu of paying for all of, or any part of, the filing fee for office. Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance, §8061, §8106

Only registered voters who are qualified to vote for the candidate may sign the petition. No voter shall sign more petitions for candidates than there are offices to be filled. §8106

The Registrar of Voters will issue forms for obtaining of signatures in lieu of filing fee. If the candidate requires an additional quantity of forms, the candidate may duplicate a blank form to obtain the desired quantity or may request more forms from the Registrar of Voters. §8106

Signatures on petitions in lieu of filing fee may be applied to and combined with the valid number of signatures on the nomination paper to satisfy the signature requirement for the office. §8061

November 25 thru December 16 (E-64-43) **NOMINATION PERIOD** Nomination papers and declaration of candidacy forms for may be obtained from and must be delivered for filing to the Registrar of Voters office from **November 25, 2002 through December 16, 2002, 5:00 p.m.**

Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance, §8061, §8100

The signers of nomination papers must be registered voters in the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on and shall be affiliated with the party, if any, in which the nomination is proposed. §8068

Filing fees must be paid at the time the nomination papers are obtained from the Registrar of Voters. This fee is nonrefundable. Signatures appearing on a filed petition in lieu of a filing fee can be counted toward the number of signatures required for the candidate's nomination paper. If the candidate's petition in lieu of filing fee contains the requisite number of valid signatures required for his/her nomination paper, the Registrar of Voters shall not require the candidate to circulate a nomination paper to be signed by qualified registered voters. §8061, §8105

Candidates who submit petitions in lieu of filing fee that do not contain the requisite number of signatures for the nomination paper are still entitled to file nomination papers provided the filing fee has been paid. §8061, §8106

November 25 thru December 16 (E-64-43) STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS Every candidate shall file no later than the final filing date of a declaration of candidacy, a statement disclosing his/her investments and his/her interests in real property and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months. Such statement is not required if the candidate has filed, within 60 days prior to the filing of his/her declaration of candidacy, a statement for the same jurisdiction. GC §87201

November 25 thru December 16 (E-64-43) <u>CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS</u> Each candidate may may prepare a statement on a form provided by the Registrar of Voters. The statement must be filed at the same time the declaration of candidacy is filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the nomination period and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance

The Registrar of Voters will estimate the total cost of printing and handling the candidate's statement and will require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance his/her estimated pro rata share as a condition of having his/her statement included in the voter's pamphlet. This amount must be paid at the time the candidate's statement is filed. If there is an underpayment, the candidate shall be required to pay the balance of the cost incurred. Overpayments will be refunded within 30 days of the election. §13307

The candidate's statement is confidential until after the expiration of the filing period. Copies of all candidate's statements will be available for public inspection at the Registrar of Voters office for 10 days prior to being submitted for printing. §13311, §13313

December 16 (E-43)

LAST DAY TO FILE PETITIONS IN LIEU OF A FILING FEE The last day for filing petitions in lieu of paying the filing fee is **December 16, 2002**, **5:00 p.m.** Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance, §8105, §8106(b)

December 16 (E-43)

<u>DEADLINE FILING SUPPLEMENTAL IN LIEU SIGNATURES</u> Last day to file with Registrar of Voters supplemental signatures or pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee, to cover any deficiency.

Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance, §8106(b)

December 16 (E-43)

DEADLINE - CIRCULATION OF NOMINATION DOCUMENTS Last day to circulate, and to file nomination documents and candidate's statement with Registrar of Voters. Sec. 1-2-9.2(b) of Orange County Ordinance, §13307

December 17 (E-42)

RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING On this day the Secretary of State shall conduct a drawing of the letters of the alphabet, the result of which shall be known as the randomized alphabet, to determine the order in which candidates appear on the ballot. §13112(a)(c), §13113

December 17 thru December 26 (E-42-33) PUBLIC REVIEW FOR CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICA-TIONS During this period, candidate's statement of qualifications will be available for public examination. §13313

December 19 (E-40)

FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE
The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period July 1 through December 14, 2002.

GC §84200.8

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December 2 thru January 14 (E-57-14)	WRITE-IN CANDIDATES First day nomination papers are available for a write-in candidate. Must be filed by January 14, 2003, 5:00 p.m. §8601
December 19 thru January 7 (E-40-21)	SAMPLE BALLOT MAILING Between these dates sample ballot pamphlets will be mailed by the Registrar of Voters. §9094, §11324, §11325
December 30 (E-29)	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION AND STILL BE MAILED A SAMPLE BALLOT PAMPHLET Voters registering after December 30 will NOT be mailed a sample ballot pamphlet. §13303
December 30 thru January 21 (E-29-7)	ABSENTEE VOTING Absentee ballots available during this period. A written application is required and must contain printed name, residence address, signature of voter and where the ballot is to be mailed. §3001, §3003
January 12 thru January 27 (E-16-1)	LATE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORTING PERIOD Contributions received of \$1,000 or more per source must be reported within 24 hours during this period. GC §84203
January 13 (E-15)	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION §2102, §2107
January 14 (E-14)	DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES TO FILE Last day for write-in candidate to file nomination papers by 5:00 p.m. §8601
January 16 (E-12)	SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period December 15, 2002, through January 11, 2003. §84200.8
January 22 thru January 28 (E-6-0)	ABSENTEE VOTING - EXTENDED PERIOD During this period absentee ballots are available when conditions prevent voting at polling place. Written application signed under penalty of perjury is required unless the absent voters ballot is voted in the office of the elections official. §3021
January 28 (E-0)	ELECTION DAY Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ballots will be centrally counted at the Registrar of Voters office. §10541, §14212, §15260
January 28 (E-0)	ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS RETURNED Deadline for the Registrar of Voters to receive absentee ballots by mail or in person is January 28, 2003, 8:00 p.m. A voter may deliver his/her absentee ballot in person to any polling place in the county by the close of the polls on election day. §3017

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January 30
(E+2)

COMMENCE OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS Votes will be canvassed by the Registrar of Voters. §10547, §15301

CANVASS OF OFFICIAL RETURNS MUST BE COMPLETED BY THIS

(E+21) <u>DATE</u> §15372

February 18 (E+21) CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION Approximately on this date the elections official shall make and deliver to the person elected a certificate of election signed by the elections official. §10553, §15372, §15401

DATE OF TAKING OFFICE Following certification of the election.

July 31 SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE Last day to file semi-annual campaign disclosure statements for all candidates and committees for the period through June 30, 2003. GC §84200